



2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 165

March 1, 2001 - Introduced by Representatives NASS, LA FAVE, AINSWORTH, J. LEHMAN, ALBERS, SCHOOFF, REYNOLDS, BERCEAU, KESTELL, RHOADES, MILLER and JESKEWITZ, cosponsored by Senator BAUMGART. Referred to Committee on Education Reform.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 118.045 (3) of the statutes; **relating to:** the commencement
2 of the school term in public schools.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law prohibits a school board from beginning the school term before September 1, unless it holds a public hearing, and adopts a resolution, after June 30.

This bill allows a school board to begin the school term before September 1 if it holds a public hearing and adopts a resolution between January 1 and May 15 of an odd-numbered year. The resolution applies to the school term beginning in the fall of that year and the school term beginning in the fall of the succeeding year. The bill's provisions first apply to the school term beginning in the fall of 2003.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

3 **SECTION 1.** 118.045 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 118.045 (3) A school board may commence the school term before September
5 1 ~~in any school~~ in an odd-numbered year and in the succeeding even-numbered year
6 if it holds a public hearing on the issue, and adopts a resolution to that effect ~~in that~~

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1 school, no earlier than January 1 and no later than May 15 of the odd-numbered
2 year.

3 **SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

4 (1) This act first applies to the commencement of the school term in the 2003-04
5 school year.

6 (END)